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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte ERIC N. WILLIAMS, J. MICHAEL ERICKSON  
and KELLIE KATHERINE DOLAN

Application 09/826,814

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on August 25, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) were filed April 6, 2001 and March 20, 2003. It is not apparent from the record that the examiner considered the statements submitted nor notified applicants of why his submission did not meet the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

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Accordingly, it is

**ORDERED** that the application is being electronically returned to the Examiner for consideration of the Information Disclosure Statements, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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